

Washington, DC – Today, Congressman Bruce Braley (IA-01) released the following Memorial Day statement:

“This weekend, families all over the country will gather to honor the brave men and women who have fought for our country and remember those who made the ultimate sacrifice for our freedom.

On Memorial Day, I’m reminded of my father, who fought in the historic battle on Iwo Jima 65 years ago. He taught me to take pride in America’s values and fight for my beliefs. Most importantly, my father gave me a deeper understanding of the struggles and challenges facing members of the military and their families when they come home from war. While we have holidays to honor our fallen soldiers and our veterans throughout the year, we must also remember our military heroes and their families every day. And we must work every day to make sure they have the care and support they need when they’re on the battlefield, and when they come home.

This Memorial Day weekend, I keep all of our fallen heroes and their families in my thoughts. And I extend my deepest thanks to our veterans and their families. Thank you for your service, your sacrifice and your bravery.”